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President Rubenstein Gives 1996 an "A"

by Nickolai Krlev

"I feel very good about UB's achievement in 1996," said President Richard Rubenstein in a special interview for the last issue of *The Scribe* for the current year.

In his reflection of 1996, he emphasized "the major beautification and renovation of campus, and the 12% enrollment increase."

\$12 million have been allocated for campus restoration. The plan includes repair or replacement of the roofs of 11 buildings, total renovation of Bryant and Cortright Halls, interior restoration of Bodine Hall, a new fire alarm system at the Wahlstrom Library, as well as many other projects.

Carlson Hall, after full restoration, will welcome the School of Education and UB's Financial Office.

For the third year UB has made significant recruiting gains. "However, we do not rely only on the quantity,

"Our financial situation is very good," says UB's president at the end of the year

but also on the quality of our students," said the president.

Some other achievements of UB that he pointed out include the athletic

program and the security system.

"I'm happy that the university began to work with the outside community to make the whole area a



more livable place," said President Rubenstein.

"Our students participated in cleaning up the neighborhood. Besides, several private houses were repainted and renovated

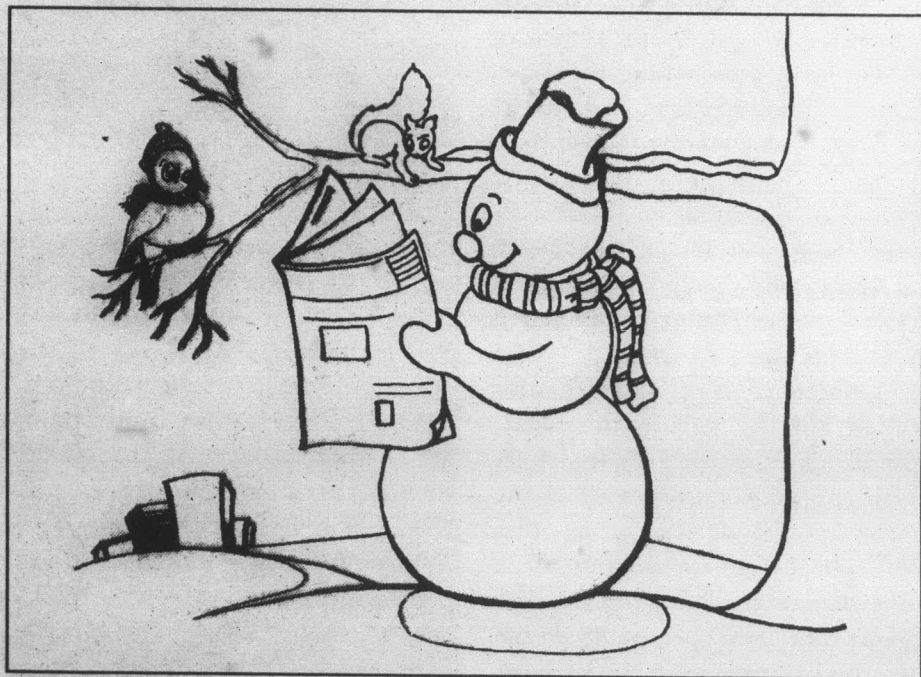
with our help," he added.

"Our financial situation is very good," admitted the president. "Of course, we are not Harvard, but we are doing quite well. Our debts are decreasing, and we pay all our bills on time. Our life is certainly not luxurious; we live in a disciplined way," he said.

Still, the president thinks, not everything was perfect in 1996. "We could have better computer resources," he said. "The administration should pay more attention to the students' needs," he added.

"Merry Christmas and Happy New Year," says President Rubenstein to all UB students. "I believe, we are able to offer the people who are staying here during the break a worthwhile vacation. I hope that the rest will enjoy life, too."

Holiday Happenings Around the World



by Johanna J. Hose

All around the world some sort of celebration is taking place around this time of year. In keeping up with the diversity of UB here are snap-shot glimpses of some ways the Holidays and New Year is celebrated around the world.

Poland

according to Alicja Dabrowska

Christmas is celebrated by the largely Catholic community in Poland.

On the 24th of December everyone gathers in a Church at midnight in honor of the birth of Christ. People sing carols and a special meal is eaten on the 24th consisting of 14 dishes. Young children expect gifts under their pillows and under the Christmas tree.

Thailand

according to Nipapan Gankong

The New Year is celebrated with friends and relatives. Families will usually give cakes or desserts to other families. The New Year is greeted in

with a song of a prosperous future. The main Buddhist Monk (Pasankarat), the King, and Prime Minister all come on TV at midnight to give a blessing.

In order to get good merriit and good luck the first thing one does on New Years' day in Thailand is give food to the monks who walk by. The front of the Royal Palace is decorated and thousands gather there.

The Netherlands

according to Constant van Winden

Saint Nickolas is a tall, skinny, white-bearded man who comes on a steam boat from Spain on December 6, which is his birthday. He rides over the rooftops on his dappled grey horse and leaves oranges in the (wooden) shoes of good boys and girls. But if you've been bad you get a coal in your shoe and get taken in a bag back to Spain! Children visit their grandparents and sing St. Nickolas songs. Children exchange small gifts which have poems attached to them.

India

according to Monalisa Basu

The Holidays are a family get-together time in India. Among one of the many cultures in India, the Paila Baishak celebrate New Year on the 14th of April. They wear brand new clothes on this day and pay respect to their elders by visiting their grandparents. In paying respect, young people bow to their grandparents on this day and touch their feet, then touch their own forehead. Like all

Indian Celebrations New Year is celebrated with a big meal.

Nigeria

according to Olayinka George

The day before New Year is a day to prepare lots of food. People either go to Church or Mosque on New Years Eve. Everyone wears new clothes on New Years Day. People exchange food (pounded white yams if you're from the Yoruba region) with neighbors. It's a day to have a big party, usually goats, rams or chickens are killed for the feast. In the traditional setting, for example the Iboland, you give presents to your personal God and the God of your family to bring you good luck.

Israel

according to Shai Bar-Nefy

According to the Jewish tradition, the New Year is called Rosh Hashana, and falls in September. It is a happy time. People wish each other a "Gmar hatima Tova." On this day special food is eaten, like fish and Tapuach Bedrash, (apple in honey) which will give you a sweet year. The day starts at dusk and people will go to a synagogue to pray. Before Rosh Hashana people call everyone they know to wish-them a happy New Year.

Prior to the new year there is a day called Yom Kippur, a day on which you are "evaluated" by God for your deeds. A big feast is eaten before the 24 hour fast and prayer which is held

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News

Housecleaning in the Board of Trustees

by Nikolai Kralev

The Executive Committee of UB's Board of Trustees discussed "housecleaning items" at its first meeting for the current academic year on November 15, Assistant Secretary George Mihalakos told The Scribe.

The Connecticut General Assembly is revising the Stock Corporation Act, and since the act has an impact on non-stock organizations, the state asked for their opinion. UB will propose that the position of a provost be mentioned in the by-laws.

The Executive Committee also discussed ways in which the members of the Board of Trustees can be contacted quickly when necessary.

The Executive Committee has 11 members—one third of the members of the Board of Trustees. Seven of them are chairmen of the standing committees of the Board of Trustees and four are elected at large through the board.

The next meeting of the Board of Trustees is scheduled for January 17.

Time For A New Lottery: DV-98

by Jorge Benitez

For the past four or five years the Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS), a federal government agency, has been holding a visa lottery—among certain countries in the world—which entitles winners to become United States residents. In the past, several of UB students were fortunate in winning this lottery and becoming permanent residents.

This lottery assigns an annual number of visas to countries that had low number of people gain admission as United States permanent residents. The allotment of visas each year changes according to the most recent five-year period. The INS determines those countries whose natives may be entitled to enter the lottery (DV-98).

The INS apportions DV-98 immigrant visa issuance among six geographic regions: Africa, Asia, Europe, North America, Oceania, and

South America, Central America, and the Caribbean. However, not all the countries in those geographical regions are included in the lottery because those countries are a large source of immigrants. These countries are: China, Taiwan, India, Philippines, South Korea, Vietnam, Great Britain, and its dependant territories, Poland, Canada, Colombia, the Dominican Republic, El Salvador, Mexico, and Jamaica.

The application period for registration for the DV visa to be issued during 1998 (from October 1997 through September 1998) will begin at 12:00 p.m. on Monday, February 3, 1997, and will end at 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, March 5, 1997. Only one application may be submitted by each applicant during this registration period. Submission of more than one application will disqualify the person from registration. Every application will have an equal

chance of being selected. The applications must be mailed to one of the six addresses that the INS has established for this lottery; this address differs according to the applicants' native country.

For more information about DV-98 registration, where to mail the application, and the necessary information needed to submit the application contact:

• Visa Bulletin: available in the periodical section on the second floor in the library which maintains a copy of the most recent of these Visa Bulletins.

• or on the Internet:

<http://travel.state.gov>

Visa Office (from the home page, select the Visa section which contains Department of State the Bulletin, number 69A, Volume VII)

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Letters

Letter to the Editor

November 25, 1996

To the Editorial Board of the Scribe,

An apology is owed to John Langer, the Student Judicial Committee, the university community, and me by the Scribe.

In the United States of America, a person is innocent until proven guilty. John and Sherry had their day in "Court." Sherry was unable to prove that John Langer had stolen his rug, a jury of their peers dropped the charges against John, and therefore, with no other proof that the rug belonged to Sherry, returned it to John. Both were able to present witnesses, each said the rug was his, and neither had a receipt.

Sherry and John were contacted several times before the hearing and in fact, the hearing was changed to fit both John and Sherry's academic and work schedules. Many calls were made to both prior to the hearing, as well as the day of the hearing to remind them about it.

I believe the Scribe's decision to print Sherry's letter was in error and shows poor journalistic integrity as: 1) John was not interviewed, 2) the Student Judicial Council, selected last semester, appointed this semester, trained this semester for four weeks,

and ratified by the Undergraduate Student Congress, was not interviewed, 3) I was not interviewed, 4) the letter was incorrectly printed as an "Editorial" representing the views of the Scribe rather than "A letter to the Editor," representing the views of Sherry, 5) the letter is a one-sided account of the situation filled with one-sided accusations, and 6) Sherry lost his case and should not have been granted another forum by the Scribe to plead his case.

I listen to faculty, staff, and students daily, deride the local, community newspapers for their unfair and inaccurate coverage of the University of Bridgeport versus other local colleges and universities. It is unfortunate that the Scribe, the school's own newspaper, would do the same by printing a "story" without investigation.

An apology is due the University community, John Langer, the Student Judicial Council, and me, for the publishing of Sherry's letter in the Scribe on November 14, 1996.

Sincerely,

David B. Oestreicher

Director of Residential Life and Judicial Affairs

21st Century Business on Line

by Nicholas King

First-hand "how to" information that can be of assistance to start-up and develop small business was offered at the forum "Growing your business for the 21st century," held on November 16, in the John J. Cox Student Center.

Some of the concurrent seminars dealt with government contracting, accounting, taxes, advertising and promotion, franchising, and development of a business plan.

The fair that followed gave the participants an opportunity to speak directly with owners of small businesses from the Bridgeport area.

The main reason for organizing the forum was that many residents of Bridgeport own or would like to own a small business. Those who attended the fair, became familiar with the business resources available in the region.

The event was sponsored by UB, in cooperation with the City of Bridgeport, banks and other economic organizations.

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We're Sorry

by Rod Garveth
Scribe Advisor

Let's face it. We blew it. In the last issue, the Scribe published a letter by Sherryar Hamid that charged, among other things, that John Langer stole a rug from him. Mr. Hamid further claimed that the Student Judicial Committee failed to do its job when it found insufficient evidence that Mr. Langer stole the rug in question. Complicating matters, Mr. Hamid's letter was mistakenly published under the heading "editorial," when it should have been labeled a "letter to the editor."

Mr. Hamid's letter should not have been published in our last issue. His letter was submitted literally at the last minute (the night before the issue went to the printer's), giving us no time to seek replies from John Langer and/or a representative of the Student Judicial Committee. The Scribe editor who made the decision to run the letter (after considerable editing) did

so in the interest of providing Mr. Hamid with a forum to express his concerns about the student judicial process at UB. That decision to publish the letter was an unfortunate error in judgment.

In all fairness, the editor's mistake stemmed in large part from a vague policy we had about running letters to the editor. We have since reviewed and modified that policy. Letters to the editor now have to be submitted at least six days prior to publication so that the editorial staff has time to obtain rebuttals (if necessary). The Scribe also reserves the right to delay the publication of letters until the next issue if the writers of rebuttals need more time.

We apologize to Mr. Langer for any anguish he suffered as a result of the publication of Mr. Hamid's letter. The Student Judicial Committee found insufficient evidence that Mr. Langer stole Mr. Hamid's rug. In our system of justice, that decision means Mr. Langer is not a thief, as Mr.

Hamid charged. In addition, based on our subsequent investigation, the Scribe is confident that the Student Judicial Committee very carefully and correctly decided this case, contrary to Mr. Hamid's position. Thus, we also apologize to the Student Judicial Committee.

The Scribe has extended offers to Mr. Langer, the Student Judicial Committee and David Oestreicher (Director of Residential Life) to write letters of rebuttal to Mr. Hamid's charges, which we would publish in this issue.

The Scribe serves two roles. First, it is the newspaper of record for the UB community, a role we take very seriously. In addition, the paper serves as a learning laboratory for students interested in journalism.

Consequently, we occasionally make mistakes — this being by far the biggest one. We will all learn from this mistake. We can, and will, do better.

South End Task Force Meets Again

by Kyle Reeves

On Thursday, November, 21, the South End Task Force met once again in our Student Center. As before Dr. Glenn Bassett, Director of UB's School of Business, as well as UB's Director of Finance and Administration, Jim Garland, helped make it all happen. As before, the South End community seemed to turn a cold shoulder to their efforts which would seem to be in the area's best interests.

Rev. Carl McCluster, President of the South End Development Corporation and pastor of Shiloh Baptist Church (where the SEDC had its beginnings last spring) opened the meeting. Rev. McCluster spoke to the small, diverse gathering of grad students, UB professionals, and at least one city official, regarding their plans to revitalize the South End and their successes to date.

Alumni Update

by Yasuko Uchihori

Sponsored by the Department of Corporate & Alumni Relations, there are several new plans for the development of alumni relation activities to come up in the near future. On November 7, one of the regular meetings of alumni was held in the Private Dining Room of the Student Center. At the meeting, UB's 70th Anniversary, new chapters, and fund-raising were discussed.

According to Karen E. Friedberg, Director of Corporate & Alumni Relations, and Marc W. Lee, who is the Associate Director of Development, UB has "clean" addresses for approximately 30,000 alumni. More addresses are going to be found "to get back touch in them, recognize them, and to get across the good image" of the University of Bridgeport because there are so many

Alumni who have been successful all over the world.

"Knight Lines," the alumni newsletter, will be mailed out to keep alumni updated on news about UB in the beginning of December for the first time in two years. "Knight Lines" will be published regulated three times a year. In addition, Marc Lee has been working on a homepage for alumni and others to make it easier to stay updated on happenings at UB. They are also trying to organize an alumni basketball game and other events for next year's 70th Anniversary celebrations.

As to these new activities and plans, Karen said, "I'm very happy that we are able to move forward and communicate with Alumni. They are anxious to hear from us". "We're working for a bright future for UB" was the last comment of Marc.

Children's Celebration at Waldemere

Naughty or Nice

All Children 12 and under of Faculty, Staff and Students are invited to Waldemere on December 11, 1996 from 4p.m. to 6p.m. to have Cookies and Cocoa with Santa

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Opinions/Editorials

Student Congress

by Surovi Abeyratne

The Student Congress retreat was held on the 16th and 17th of November at the Days Inn Hotel in West Haven. The retreat was structured to accommodate six sessions, which were facilitated by Professor Donna Philips, Professor Hans van der Giessen, Professor Schaff, Director of Residential Life Mr. David Oestreicher, and Congress President Ajisegbe. There was also periods of discussion on issues pertaining to student life, administration and school governance.

The welcome address was given by President Ajisegbe and Vice President Schroff. Professor Donna Philips in her speech defined proactive and reactive action. She defined a proactive individual as one who is affected by his or her physical and social environment and a reactive

individual as one who is controlled by these factors. Professor Schaff who spoke on parliamentary procedure explained many aspects of parliamentary law including four types of motion-principle, subsidiary, incidental and privileged. In his speech on commitment Congress President Ajisegbe discussed three issues concerning the publicly elected officer, namely expectations, duty and conflict of duty. Ajisegbe also spoke of the significance of the Student Congress in which he defined the duties of Congress members. He mentioned that in order to govern oneself, one needed to determine one's needs, structural resources and establish codes of conduct.

A student needs week committee was established among other committees to deal with the needs of the students. Nov 18-22 was declared a student needs week. During this

week members of congress met with president Rubenstein to submit its proposals which included a convenience store, a van for transportation, restructuring of the fountain at Mandeville Hall and flags of all nations display in Marina Dining Hall. The other committees established were the Social Life Committee, the Academic Affairs Committee and the Public Relations Committee. Vice President Schroff in his speech on the role and function of a committee, stressed the importance of a committee as the acting power of an organization.

Dr. van der Giessen, in his address on the power of a student government, defined student politics as the allocation of scarce resources. Dr. van

der Giessen drew examples from history to describe student movements and their political activities. He also spoke of the importance of the relationship between the UB Senate and Student Congress as well as the relationship between student development and student congress. Director of Residential life David Oestreicher spoke of the various improvements that could be included in the student needs week committee and emphasized the importance of SC representatives in the UB Senate in order to establish unity between the administration and school officials and also to give the students a distinct voice in matters pertaining to school

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Behind the Scenes at UB

by Jorge Benitez and taking care of all the related tasks.

There are many people at U.B. that go without recognition after many years of silent contribution to the institution. Here are two of them who deserve to be recognized and who also represent many others that contribute to U.B.'s improvement.

Ruth De Nomme Secretary to the Student Development Division Ruth has been working at U.B. for the last 18 years. She started working as secretary in the College of Business.

Since then she has worked in several offices around campus to her present position as a secretary for the Student Development Division. When she asked about her duties she says: "I smile pretty."

In fact, she is responsible to help international students as well as domestic students to prepare all the forms they need before they see David O., Janet Merritt, and Dawn Valenti. Also, she is responsible for handling appointments for her three busy bosses



Ruth DeNomme

She says about her experience at U.B.: "I have been at U.B. from the days when it was a large school to rebirth after the strike, and I think a great future is on the horizon. the university is growing." Marie Heyse Information Desk Receptionist Marie Heyse has been working at U.B. for the last 29 years. She was hired as a part-time maid for Mrs. May and Mrs.

Klymaytis for about 5 years. One day the Director of Residential Life asked her to work for Residential Life. "So I became the receptionist for Barnum and Seeley," she states.



Marie Heyse

About three years ago the dorms were closing so "I was asked by Janet Merritt to become a part-time receptionist in the campus information desk. When asked about her U.B. experience she says: "UB has been like my second family since the death of my husband, because all my children live out of

town in Saint Louis, Missouri." Also, she adds: "the University is coming back and I pray everyday to see it happen."

Security Officer Retires

by Daniel Chin

In a cheerful and informal party, UB said goodbye to Herbert Anderson, a member of the security staff of 27 years. "Herbie" as he is called by friends, was one of the supervisors on security. The party, held on November 20, culminated Herbie's career which included escorting figures such as Coretta Scott King, wife of Martin Luther King, Jr., and Muhammed Ali, when they spoke at UB.

Members of security and faculty attended the party to say goodbye to a co-worker and friend. Jim Mooney was also in attendance and gave a short speech, saying, "The word for Herbie, is caring." Many of the security were also in formal attire, and very nearly

unrecognizable without their uniforms.

Herbie said he was almost sad to go at a time when the University is increasingly improving all the time. Born in a house which stood where the Student Center is now, Herbert Anderson has seen all the changes the University has gone through, and believes that the tough times are far behind. "Driving down Park Ave, it's so great to see all the renovations and improvements made to the buildings."

As for any future plans, Herbie is moving down to Daytona, Florida with his family. But, you could probably bet on seeing him again. After all you can't keep a good man down. So for all us people who have to be out at night, thanks for keeping us safe.

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Ukrainian Chief Economist Studies at ELI

by Nickolai Krlev

Michael Sedoy, chief economist at the Ministry of Foreign Economic Relations of Ukraine, is among the new students of UB's English Language Institute for the November-December session. Because of his excellent command of English, Mr. Sedoy was placed in the last level of the institute's program. He studied English in his country basically by himself, and also took a language course there. What he needs is a certificate for English proficiency from an accredited American institution.

Mr. Sedoy is planning to complete an MBA degree in the United States. He already has two bachelor's degrees in Management and Economics from Ukraine.

Michael Sedoy, 22, has had his



Michael Sedoy

position at the Department of Foreign Economic Relations of Sevastopol, Crimea, for about two years. Before that, he worked for a tourist firm and an audit company.

"The region of Sevastopol, Crimea, is one of the most attractive places for doing business in Ukraine, because of the wide market capacity, cheap and skilled labor force, and the absence of competition. Politically,

Sevastopol is also a very interesting area, since geographically it is in the Crimean Autonomic Republic, but actually is under the power of the Ukrainian capital, Kiev," says Michael Sedoy.

The United States is the second Western country Mr. Sedoy has visited. Last April and May, he took part in a program of the British government for training managers

from Central and Eastern Europe.

While in the U.S., Michael Sedoy will explore opportunities for doing business with American companies. He will meet businessmen from New England, New York, and Washington, D.C., after the New Year.

After going back to his country in January, he will take the position of general manager of a joint Ukrainian-Belgium venture. S

Admissions Office Starts Telemarketing

by Daniel Chin

UB's Office of Admissions started to recruit prospective students by phone. Telemarketing is a new way of communicating with prospective applicants. Current UB students call people who have expressed an interest in studying here to give them information and answer any questions they may have about UB.

The telemarketers operate Monday through Wednesday, between 4:30 and 8 p.m. "This is the time when most people are at home—children from school and parents from work," says Admissions Counselor Laura Perricone who is in charge of the project.

"We need a very good team of

reliable students with bright ideas," says Suzanne Wilcox, dean of admissions and financial aid.

"We have already called more than 400 high school seniors, and this is only the beginning," says Nickolai Krlev, manager of the students telemarketing team.

The new job opening has already attracted many students, since the telemarketers get \$6 per hour. But the criteria for selecting the best candidates is very demanding. They must have an excellent command of

English, a pleasant voice, good communicative and persuasive skills, and great patience.

A similar project has been promoted before but it ran for a short time and only a few students were involved in it.

Previously, UB recruited prospective students by sending them information by mail, inviting them to Open Houses, and advertising in the media. Admissions counselors also go to high school college fairs and meet prospective students personally. S

Safety: One Block at a Time

by Justin Harding

The South End is getting organized. You ask what is the South End? Where is it? That's where the University of Bridgeport is. It is a neighborhood within the greater Bridgeport City, which covers the blocks from Route 95 to Seaside Park. It stretches west to the Sikorsky factory and east to the shoreline.

As we all know the streets are not exactly Paradise. In fact, the South End was at one time, only seven years ago a contributor to the title "New England Crime Capital," along with East Bridgeport.

In the east neighborhood at Father Panik Village, drug deals and shoot-outs were the order of the day. Mostly young, white, suburban kids would drive up or down I-95 and get off at exit 28. There, they could drive right into the projects, buy drugs and be stoned on the highway in less time than it takes to order a Big Mac!

The community organized under the guidance of local activists. Together the community and city, through the Bridgeport Police

Department, churches, and other community based groups, began to revive their neighborhood. The Father Panik Project was bulldozed. A device known as, "phoenix barriers", were put in place that stopped the drive "thru" drug trade, and currently service projects are going on. Their streets are cleaner and safer, and although, not yet Paradise, it is on the rise.

We can do the same here in the South End. Do we have money? No! But, that is not really a problem. The reality of the streets is dangerous. Therefore, the South End Public Safety Committee has been formed together with Director of Campus Security James Mooney, Director of Finance and Administration Jim Garland, the President of the Commuter Association, World CARP, and the UB Marshalls.

"We've decided on the one issue we're concerned about and that is safety and security for students and residents in the South End," said Mr. Garland.

The three student organizations in

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***Undergraduate women attending one of the following 4-year colleges/universities:** University of Bridgeport, Sacred Heart University, Fairfield University, Western Connecticut State University, are urged to RSVP.

Call, email or write one of the contact persons with the following information: Full Name, Address, Phone #, Current school, class standing, graduation date, and cumulative GPA (4.0 Scale)



Campus Life

To Burn or not to Burn

by Lee Marrero

Most students are aware that it is illegal to burn candles or incense in the residence halls. That however is not the question that has risen in the minds of many students, including myself. The question is why did students make extensive use of these items last year without fear of repercussion just to be harassed thoroughly this year? This harassment comes in the way of fines, \$50 fines! How can you even ban incense and candles under the guise of "fire safety." I seem to remember reading somewhere that more people die in fires resulting from careless smoking than anything else, yet UB students may smoke freely in their rooms. But it doesn't stop with

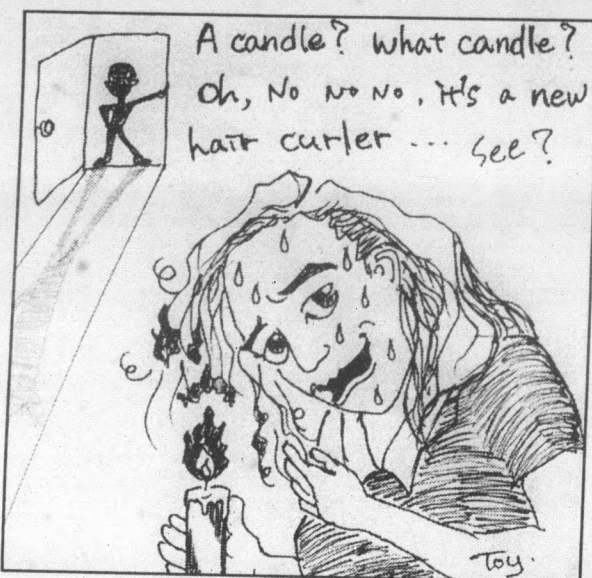
smoking, every single electrical appliance on the market is a fire hazard with many that are extremely dangerous if forgotten about in a rush which are perfectly legal in Bodine Hall which are perfectly legal in Bodine Hall such as curling irons and irons.

It is not arguable that candles or incense

are any more dangerous than any of the previously named items, it is really all a matter of responsibility. I feel that if Residential Life doesn't trust the student body with candles or incense because they are dangerous why don't they just ban all fire safety hazards? Another argument which has presented itself in concerns from students of

various religions is that candles and/or incense are an integral part of meditation in their religions, and that because these items

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Navy Seals here on campus

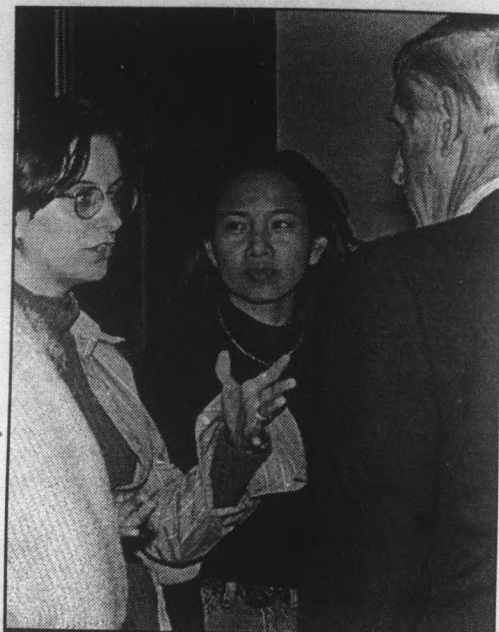
by Melisa Cehajic

November 21, SCUBA's guest were the Navy Seals, the elite US Military team. Lieutenant Junior Barry McCabe who participated in World War II. He was in the troops that fought in the Pacific 1943-1946. Lieutenant Chris Bent was in the Seals from 1964 to 1966. Draftsman and Illustrator, Chris Rawls was in the Navy Seals from 1966 to 1970. He graduated from UB as a major in Industrial Design and he is still in the Navy Seals Reserve Team. The youngest of the speakers was Nick Jeromiah who is a Seal recruit. He is still enthusiastically working on becoming a Navy Seal.

The four gentlemen showed the students some of the equipment that is used both in training and in real situations. They also presented a video on the training of the recruits. Navy Seals have a policy: "We're not gonna go out and pick a fight. We're gonna go there, do our thing, and if we do it right, we're gonna leave and all the enemy's gonna say is 'what happened?'"

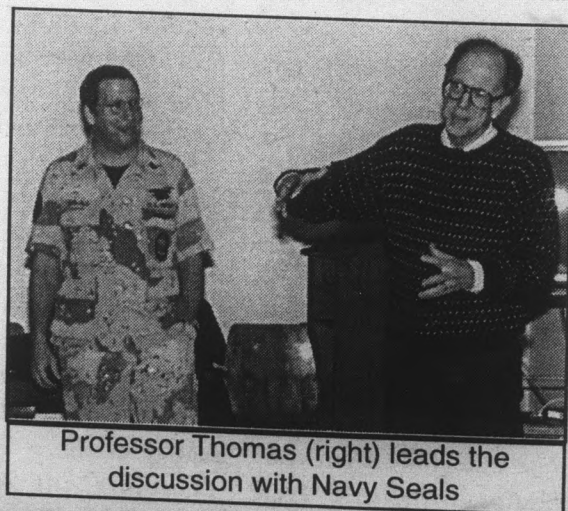
Lieutenant McCabe

explained that the word "Seal" stands for "Sea-Air-Land", meaning that the Navy Seals act on different terrains. The biggest Navy Seal base in Cornado,



Students chatting with Lieutenant Barry McCabe

California, and on the East Coast, the Little Creek, Virginia. The Navy Seal also spoke about BUD, the Basic Underwater Demolition training. "After the physical and mental screening, the recruits go through the BUD's training which only 30% of them make," LTJG McCabe said. The major quality that all of them emphasized that was the ability of the Navy Seals to engage into team work. One cannot be a Navy Seal if he cannot work in a team. **S**



Professor Thomas (right) leads the discussion with Navy Seals

Student Poll

Question: What should Marina do to improve its service?



"I think Marina should give more choices, when it comes to dinner. What is it with all these vegetables? I'm not a vegetarian."

Bernard Correa



I think dinner time should be changed to accommodate students who have late classes."

Bold Bataar



"Marina needs longer evening hours. They should be open until 10 p.m. Get back the international meals. Let's have some international cuisine."

Olayinka George



"Serve more healthy foods!"

Gustavo Fayad



"More healthy food, a health food line, low fat chicken, don't use oil in all the food preparation."

Terri Buchek



"More Asian food, such as Thai, Vietnamese, Korean, and Japanese. I don't see why the cooks at Marina can't cook Asian food. Asian food is healthier."

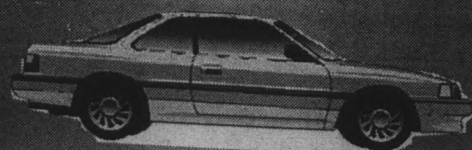
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Campus Life

An Enchanted Evening

Korean Students present their culture, talent and creativity.

by Surovi Abeyratne

The annual Korean Festival was held on Friday, November 22 in the Social Room of the Student Center. Tickets were sold at the door, and upon entry, guests were treated to a buffet of exquisitely prepared, array of traditional Korean food served by students clothed in traditional Korean dress.

Approximately 300 people came to the event, making it one of the biggest social events on campus.

The entertainment commenced with a welcome from the two MC's Shin Ae Go and, president of the Korean Student Association Joung Youb Rhee. Guests were treated to a martial arts demonstration of Tong-il-Moo Do led by black belt Hyung Up Go. After a brief display of some basic moves, a

team of black belts performed two choreographed fights to the tune of "Eye of the Tiger," and "Mortal

nature, ranging from thunder, to rain drops. It was a shrill and loud performance that made the young children wathing in the front cover their ears with their hands.

Other performances included a comical skit based on a popular Korean love story, which was acted out in drag by male Korean students. There was also a flute solo by Nam-Reul Kim. Lastly, a chorus sang a selection of two Korean song, and one American song.

Afterwards, a Karaoke contest was held and the winners received prizes. At the end of the festival, the floor was cleared, and many remained to dance for the remainder of the evening.



The Tongil Mudo Team strikes a pose

Combat." The choreography was done by the members and showed grace, skill and good timing.

The second event was Samulnoli, or playing of traditional Korean musical instruments. Each instrument represented a different sound of

Moby Dick Talk

by Melisa Cehajic

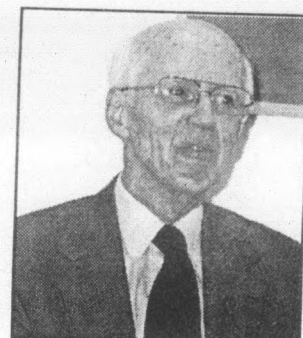
November 7, SCUBA had a literature night. The guest speaker was Prof Dick Doenges, who was a UB professor from 1956 to 1992.

Professor Doenges spoke about Herman Melville's Moby Dick, which is one of the classics of world literature, and has also become one of the most studied books in our century.

In addition, Moby Dick is read all over the world, not just only in English speaking countries.

Professor Doenges read passages and spoke about the symbolism in Moby Dick.

He put himself into Melville's shoes and showed students how Melville might have thought or felt when he was writing. The student learned that he was a poet as well as a novelist.



UB Baking Club: A Piece of Cake

by Ayako Kurata

Have you ever eaten foods made by the UB Baking Club when you went to some events at UB? The UB Baking Club is one of the new UB clubs. It serves foods and cakes to support student activities.

"I really enjoy making cakes," said Yuko, a member of the club. Most of the members are women, but recently two men joined the club. Yasuko, the president of the UB Baking Club, said, "This club is not only for women, but also men who are interested in cooking and baking."

The club's contribution is a culinary triumph. Since the Fall semester began, it has prepared and offered foods and snacks for six events, such as UBlympic, SCUBA and International Business Club meetings, and Japanese Movie Nights. "We spent eight hours to prepare refreshments and foods for the speech event of Rev. and Dr. Hak Ja Han Moon. That was the longest that we have ever spent for one event," commented Yasuko.

The reaction of students toward the food is pretty good. However, the club was not always in a good situation. It had some troubles with the Caribbean Club and the Student

Congress.

When the members brought the food for the Caribbean Club's event, their food was rejected because the Caribbean Club prepared their own food without canceling the food of the UB Baking Club.

Another problem was that the Student Congress didn't give the UB Baking Club the money for its new plan, the Bake Sale, because its purpose was a fundraising to buy equipment for baking, but not for supporting events.

Although the UB Baking Club failed to get money, it sold cheese cakes, truffles, and cookies in front of the Student Center on November 25. The Bake Sale encouraged more students to be at the Student Center and make a more attractive atmosphere.

Recently, the UB Baking Club got its office at Carrstensen Hall, Room 109, and the members will cook there from the apartment that they have used before. Then they will feel more comfortable working at the office than in the apartment.

Yasuko, the president of the UB Baking Club, explained her wish, saying that, "I want the UB Baking Club to last forever."

A Head Start on Competition

Have you seen "out of many, one people." posted around campus? You might have thought it was a new slogan for the diversity of UB. This quote is actually the first in a series that the Black Student Alliance is posting in preparation for their jeopardy competition in February. Each week a new quote will be posted. This way students who do not know much about African-American history or culture will not be at a disadvantage and enter the contest. Monetary prizes will be given out to the winners and though Alex Trebec will not be hosting it, it will be just as exciting.

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Music

Old UB Tradition Brought Back to Life

by Johanne M. Torres

From feminine pads and Riccola cough drop commercials to explaining the concept of "salvation," In comedy, anything goes! Comedy night, presented by SCBOD was held on Friday, November 15. Comedians Nancy Ryan, Dan Wilson, and Joey Vega performed for UB students at the Student Center.

Students had the opportunity to have a good laugh with these performers. Some girls from the soccer and softball teams were there as well. SCBOD brought to life an old UB tradition of having comedy nights.

Nancy Ryan, a comedian from New Jersey, got her break four years ago in a comedy club where she used

to be a waitress. Since then she has made people laugh, taking her show to many cities around the US, including New York and Las Vegas, where she performed at the Tropicana Club.

"Being a woman has its disadvantages in this business...[but] you have a lot more to make fun of than men [do]," said Ryan referring to her struggle in the beginning of her career. This is the first time that Ryan performed at UB even though her father is the assistant coach for the UB women's soccer team.

Dan Wilson, originally from Canada, has been in the comedy business for 13 years.

Wilson has not only been performing in comedy clubs all around the US, but has also taken his jokes to almost

15 Television shows. As he describes the funny business, he mentions how much it is male dominated and that "when the clubs are looking for comedians they don't look for the funniest people. They are very specific when it comes to looks, nationalities, and gender."

Wilson advises young comedy newcomers who want to be successful to "watch where you go, follow your dream and make your own jokes!" He got the UB crowd excited with his funny gestures and his unique style.

As a comedian for 16 years, Joey Vega has been able to take his act outside the US. This Puerto Rican grew up in New York City, but has been everywhere from the US to Jamaica and St. Thomas. He has taken

his act to TV shows like The Latin Connection, in 1989. He performs in at least 25 colleges per year.

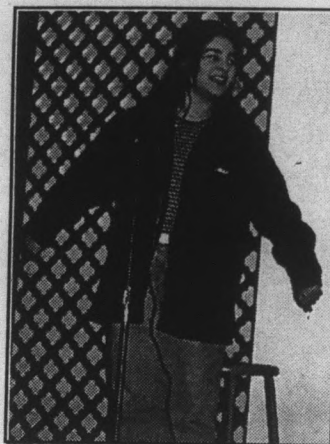
In this business he has seen "stereotyping to the max. because I'm Hispanic, but I've been very successful in doing what I love because all I want is to always be a working performer." As his advice to new comedy prospects he adds, "You have to have a serious dedication and keep the family first and the business second."

For those

who want more good comedy these performers will be bringing their act to The Brown & Thompson Restaurant in Hartford on the 12th and 13th of this month.



Comedian
Dan Wilson



Comedian
Nancy Ryan

Cultural Night: a Bridge to Malaysia

by Johanna J. Hose

Selamat Datang (Welcome) to the Malaysian Night! Warm smiles greeted guests as members of the UB community walked into the Arnold Bernhard Center on November 16. Working together with CARP, the Malaysian Club at UB prepared a cultural evening to share food,



Students who acted out a
Malaysian Wedding

dance, and some history of Malaysia. UB folks eagerly lined up to taste the Malaysian chicken, multicolored rice, gooey deserts, and bright pink drink called Bandung. More people showed up than expected and the choir room was packed.

The entertainment for the evening was held in the Littlefield Recital Hall and included dancers wearing sarongs with colorful batik patterns. Before the entertainment began however, a couple of short speeches

were given by Professor Greenspan, advisor of the Malaysian Club, Eazan Mohd. Yusof, president of the Malaysian club and Justin Harding, president of Collegiate Association for the Research of Principles (CARP). Former UB student Kamal Mustapha and his wife Norain, performed a Malaysian wedding ceremony

and sat like a King and Queen in front of the audience while barefooted dancers performed for the couple as well as the audience. Sharon Loh was the MC for the evening. Sharon gave a brief slide presentation on the history and beauty of Malaysia.

In one of the dances which followed students were asked to get up on stage and join in the joget, a traditional Malaysian social dance. Even Professor Greenspan, advisor to

the Malaysian Club got on stage to do a little twisting.



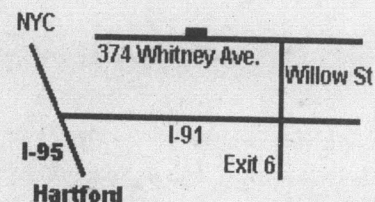
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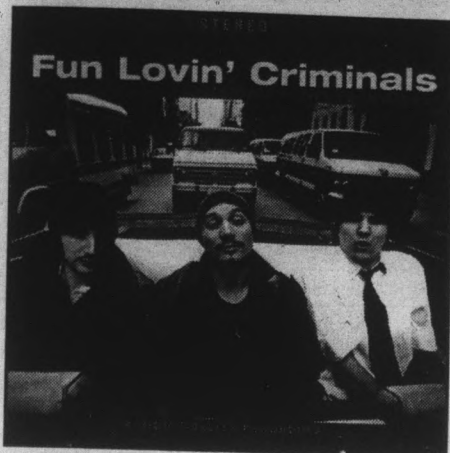
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Live! Live! Live!

The Band: SuperDrag
The Place: Toad's Place

There were about a hundred people at Toad's Place to see SuperDrag play their hit "Sucked Out." You know the song "Who sucked out the feeling"? Well that about summed up their Toad's show. SuperGrad sucked! There was nothing exciting about their show.

For a band that has been around for a long time you'd think that by now they would have their act together. Instead, they gave Toad's a show that looked like it was being made up while they were going along. SuperDrag is one of those bands that were signed in the middle of the pop music feeding frenzy, they should have been puked back up. Do yourself a favor when they come to your town, stay home and listen to your brother practice his accordion.

by Bob Jacobs

The Band: Fun Lovin' Criminals
The Disc: Come Find Yourself

You'd have to be buried six feet under not to have heard of the Fun Lovin' Criminals single "Scooby Snacks." MTV is playing it so much, I have to keep a bucket next to my TV. There is more to the Criminals. "Come Find Yourself" has a real cool feel to it. Something like surf music meets rap somewhere in a Quentin Tarantino movie.

Fun lovin' is what this band is. I don't know where to place this band in my collection. Songs to check out are "The King of NY", and the title cut "Come find Yourself." If you're into goof music this is the disc for you. The only problem, is where do the Criminals go once the joke is over. Maybe in the "where are they now?" file.

The Artist: Patti Rothberg
The Disc: Between the 1 and the 9

Patti Rothberg is the newest female rocker to hit the ever growing Alanis Morissette trend of female vocalist/writers. Between the 1 and the 9 shows Rothberg as more of a Rock artist dabbling in Pop. On the opening track "Flicker," Rothberg sounds very reminiscent of Fleetwood Mac's Stevie Nicks, but this is the only song in this vein. There's not much here after that, just a lot of mediocre tunes.

The best song on this disc is the single "Inside." The rest of the songs are kind of like a blur. You really can't tell them apart that much. Rothberg has a great voice, but she doesn't seem to use it to the best of her ability. Some songs seem to lack emotion, like the power ballad "Out of My Mind." Interested parties can catch Rothberg at 104.1 Jingle Bell Jam in December.

The Artist: Joan Osborne
The Disc: Early Recordings

Joan Osborne is definitely one of the best vocalists to hit the rock world in the last few years. "Early Recordings" is a great chance to hear the Oz the way she sounds best Live and improvising any chance she gets. Most of these recordings came out of an NYC club called the Delta 88, and the quality is top notch. This disc concentrates on Osborne's blues influence and doesn't really contain any Pop/Rock. The idea behind this disc is great, an established artist going out and putting together a collection of live recordings that she made before she was famous. I wish more artists would do this. Most of these tracks have appeared before on Osborne's indie releases, but the disc is still worth checking out. Look for a new full length release from Osborne this winter.

Movie Nights by Japanese Association

by Sharon Loh

If you were to pass by the Student Center on a Thursday, you would see a big banner that screams out "Movie Night. Refreshments served!!!" The activity has been going on for four to five weeks already.

The movie night, which is organized by the Japanese Association is an activity by the association to "connect with all the students here, that are not just Japanese" said Secretary of the Japanese Association and organizer of the Movie Night, Rena Endo.

The movie that is viewed every week has a theme to them. The club had been trying to have a movie that is Japanese oriented for a change, however, they had have been having problems in searching for one that had English sub-titles to it. The movies that have been rented are

form Block Buster.

It had been four occasions since the Japanese Association had had this weekly activity. And only the last of the movie nights has been funded by the Student Congress. During the first three times, their allocation was rejected and they used their own funds to make the weekly event a success. The first time they had the event, about 30 students showed up and the number has been growing ever since.

The members of this association had been helping out by making cakes, sandwiches and even Japanese delicacies for the movie nights. Besides that, coffee is served too. For students that are just interested in "vegging out" on a Thursday night... this is an option for you.

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Miscellaneous

Holidays from page 1

on the day of Yom Kipur. Before this day people apologize to each other and ask for forgiveness for anything they might have done wrongjjj10.

Argentina

according to Jorge Benitez

Children will run to get their gifts at midnight of December 24. El Nino Dios (the infant Jesus) puts presents under the Christmas tree for children. New Year is celebrated with a big feast and customarily, for good luck young boys wear blue underwear and young girls wear pink underwear.

South Korea

according to Hyung Up Go

The New Year is celebrated according to the lunar calendar which falls in February. Koreans wear traditional, bright colored clothing (han-bok,) and go to visit the head of the family, (the grandfather or the eldest son of the family). Children bow to the head of the family to show respect for elders and receive money. Koreans eat ddok-guk (rice cake soup) for long life. They also play a traditional game called Yut-nori which includes throwing four sticks (which function as dice) and a lot of yelling and screaming.

Greece

according to Vassiliki Albani

Igios Vassilis (Santa Claus) brings gifts on New Years Eve. A traditional pie is eaten called Vassilopita (Santa Claus' pie.) The pie has been baked with a coin inside it and after midnight the pie is cut and whoever gets the coin is the lucky one for the year. Cards are played until dawn. Everyone makes a wish at midnight.

Benin Republic

according to Franck Ajisegebe

New Year is celebrated as an "extended family meeting" and anyone who thinks he is part of a family is allowed to walk in and no questions will be asked. (Including orphans, and homeless). People can stay, eat, and play music. If you are a "been to" (someone who has "been to" another country) you have a major say in what kind of music is played. Elders gather together and honor the dead and the unborn. On New Year's Eve, food is served to the dead and left out for the day.

Latvia

according to Santa Puce

Twelve dishes are served at the New Year's Eve feast. One of the dishes is peas which have been boiled and then fried. Before midnight everyone has to have tasted every single dish. By midnight the pea bowl has to be empty because pease symbolize tears for the next year. Any extra peas are thrown outside in the snow.

Sri Lanka

by Hemantha

The New Year is celebrated by the astrological calendar. New Year's Eve starts when the moon moves from Pisces to Aries which is usually around April 30. During this transitional time (Raho) when the moon is moving into Aries, it is unlucky to do anything. Hindus and Buddhists go to temples during this time. At midnight, fire crackers go off "and the whole country goes nuts." The first meal is milk rice which is also eaten exactly according to a specific astrological time which changes each year. Sometimes you have to eat the milk rice at 4 a.m! During this time the whole country shuts down like a total curfew.

Safety from page 5

conjunction with Captain Kelly of the Bridgeport Police and the City of Bridgeport organized a South End clean up. They collected over 60 bags of debris off Atlantic, Gregory, and the surrounding streets. Two illegal dumps were also located and reported to the city. Furthermore, Mr. Garland went door to door explaining the goals of the SEPSC to residents. World CARP members went from business to business, passing out flyers to gain their support as well.

"I was going to one store and the owner said I have my own safety right here!" reported one CARP member. At the same time the store owner revealed a concealed gun under his vest.

Should business owners have to arm themselves to be "safe"? What about students? Should a case of semi-automatic rifles been included for Student Needs Week? The goal of the SEPSC is too establish a Neighborhood Watch program. Already the Director of Residential

Life David "O" has met with United Illuminating and driven around the campus and community to put up lights in potentially dangerous areas.

Students, faculty, administration, and community residents can work together in a community council. Government funding is available to come to the South End. President Bill Clinton allocated over 100 million dollars to tough urban city renewal programs.

Bridgeport qualified for a chunk and if we are larger in number and more organized a piece of these government funds will come to our neighborhood.

However, there is still a greater need for students to get involved. John Francis, Assistant Professor of Chemistry, has come on to the scene full of enthusiasm. He hopes to help more student organizations to get involved. The situation is simple.

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Candle from page 6

being banned it is infringing on their Constitutional rights!

Everyone who lives on campus is legally responsible for their own actions, and most are responsible because they want to be, nobody wants their home to burn down, which brings up another question, isn't Bodine brick on the outside with cement and cinder block walls on the inside? Non-flammable buildings do not burn down, I learned that in elementary school.

Students must not let others infringe on their rights especially when they are religious or when the infringement is ridiculous!

Congress from page 4

governance.

According to president Ajisegebe one of the mission statements of the retreat was to use short term goals to achieve long term goals-hence the purpose of the student needs week committee. Ajisegebe said of his team, "they are extremely focused and the best team I have worked with so far".

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ATP Tour in Hartford

by Sharon Loh

Top seeded doubles Australian pair Todd Woodbridge and Mark Woodforde bagged in their 12th title of the year in the Doubles Tennis Arena. This has only been done once before by tennis duo McEnroe and Fleming in 1979 when they won 15 titles. The Phoenix/ATP Tour Worlds Doubles Championship was held in the Hartford Civic Center on November 13-17.

In the semi-finals, the "Woodies" as they are popularly known, met second seeded pair, Grant Connell and Byron Black, and breezed through the games with a 6-3, 6-3 win. As for the finals, they met with Alex O'Brien and Sebastian Lareau. The seventh seeded pair gave the Woodies a



run for their money when they took them into four thrilling sets. The Woodies led a 5-2 (one break) in the third set on Friday night against Lareau-O'Brien, that reminded O'Brien of a match in Cincinnati in 1994, when the Woodies led O'Brien and Sandon Stolle 5-0 in the third set before a remarkable comeback, sending O'Brien and partner on the path to his first career ATP doubles title. However, in this doubles match, Woodbridge and Woodforde won the game with a close 6-4, 5-7, 6-2, 7-6(3) end score.

Woodbridge and Woodforde have each enjoyed the best seasons of their careers in both singles and doubles, winning 12 titles together and reaching career singles highs. Woodforde cracked the Top 20 for the first time this April, while Woodbridge soared to No. 24 in March. When it comes to combining wins in singles and doubles on

the ATP Tour, the Woodies are No. 2 and 3 behind Yevgeny Kafelnikov.

The whole game which took almost two hours was indeed an exciting time for many Hartford residents as well as Tennis fans from all over Connecticut. As the CEO of Jewel Production James Westhall said in the tournament magazine, "This is a world championship - that's the important word to

keep in mind... There is no other world doubles championship. There are a lots of doubles events at ATP Tour competitions, 83 of them in 38 countries and all of them paving the way on the Phoenix Road to Hartford. But only in Hartford can the fans and the international television audience view the very best doubles players in the world." [The Scribe would like to thank the Reader's Digest Foundation for making it possible to research this story.]



Intramural Soccer Gathers Momentum

by Nikola Dimitrov

The long expected intramural indoor soccer tournament started on November 15. This event, organized by the University of Bridgeport's Department of Athletics, marks the revival of a long abandoned tradition.

All games are played at the perfectly fitted Wheeler Recreation Center. The five teams that signed to compete for the honor of being the UB Indoor Soccer Champions were African All-Stars, Surprise All-Stars, J.A.P., Kedah All-Stars, and Bosnia All-Stars.

The tournament is following a simple schedule. All teams are playing each other and the one with the worst results will drop out while the rest will play semi-finals and a final. There is a keen interest toward the whole tournament but undoubtedly the Japanese and the Bosnian teams enjoy the most fervent support from their fans.

All teams are showing immense enthusiasm and admirable skills and at no time has the tournament gone beyond the

bounds of fairplay.

Intramural Soccer turns out to be a very exciting event both for players and fans. "We need more activities like this," said Femi Aina who is a coach and a captain of the African All-Stars. "Above all, it's fun. I hope the Intramural Soccer will continue next year."

So far, the African All-Stars prove to be the best team with 20 goals scored and 3 goals conceded out of 3 games played. However, they have not yet played the Bosnians who also have an impressive record of 10 goals scored and 3 goals conceded out of 2 games played.

Participants		
Team Number	Team Name	Coach
#1	African All-Stars	Femi Aina
#2	Surprise All-Stars	Dare
#3	J.A.P.	Yuichi
#4	Kedah All-Stars	Zabani
#5	Bosnia All-Stars	Edin

Scoreboard

Date	Day	8.30 PM Game	9.30 PM Game
November			
15	Friday	1 vs. 2 - 9:2	3 vs. 4 - 7:0
21	Thursday	3 vs. 1 - 1:7	5 vs. 2 - 6:1
22	Friday	5 vs. 3 - 4:2	4 vs. 1 - 0:4
December			
5	Thursday	4 vs. 5	2 vs. 3
	Friday	2 vs. 4	1 vs. 5
12	Thursday		

Playoffs Semi-Finals - Based on Order of Finish
1st vs. 4th 2nd vs. 3rd
13 Championship Game
Winners of December 12 Games

Grand Opening

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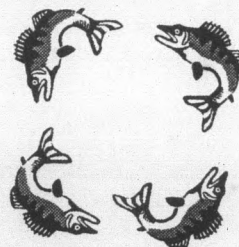
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Sports

Women's Basketball

by John Margiotta

The University of Bridgeport's women's basketball team captured the championship of the Famous Pizza Classic with a 93-68 win over Mercy College at the Harvey Hubbell Gymnasium on Sunday November 17.

Led by Most Valuable Player Sarah Wilfong, Bridgeport is now 2-0 overall and ranked 17th nationally. Wilfong, a senior guard from Wadsworth, Ohio finished the game with 10 points. She was one of 5 players in double figures

for the Lady Purple Knights. Senior guard Dana Williams scored 15 points and freshman center Katherine Thompson added 11 points with 8 rebounds.



The all-tournament team had 4 Purple Knights, 5 sophomore Tajauna Peoples (11 points, 8 rebounds), Freshman Katherine Thompson (13 points, 9 rebounds), Senior Desiree Arbucko (15 points, 8 assisted) and Senior Sarah Wilfong (16 points). Nicara Herrera of

Mercy and Marissa Castriota of Teikyo Post also made the team.

The Lady Knights are again off to a good start. Come see the Purple Knights conquer the NECC (New England Collegiate Conference.) A game against C.W. Post, an out of

conference game, followed on November 29. The next game is scheduled for Saturday, December 7.

Men's Basketball

by John Margiotta

The University of Bridgeport's Men's Basketball team defeated Teikyo Post University 87-75 in a come behind win. Most Valuable Player Vondell Wright scored a game high 28 points as the Purple Knights won an exciting game in the Famous Pizza Classic at the Harvey Hubbell Gymnasium.

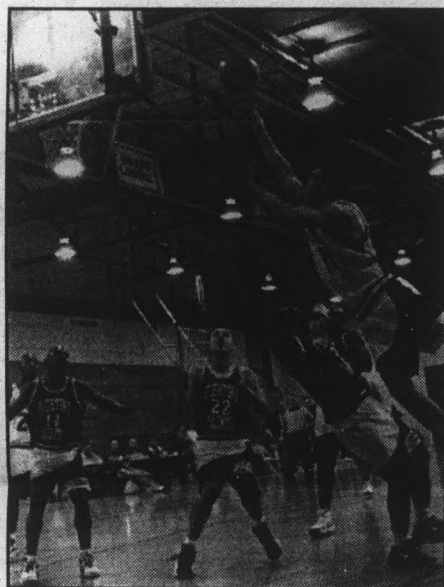
Bridgeport, now, 2-0 trailed by 16 points early in the first half and left the court behind 49-37, at intermission. A late charge by sophomore forward Ozier Hastings with 18 points and 19 rebounds and Wright's 18 all in the second half lead by the Purple Knights comeback.

Teikyo Post lead 65-64, but Wright's two fire throws and freshman guard Eric Fuentes 9 foot jumper gave the Purple Knights their first lead of

the game 70-65. After the Eagles cut the UB lead to 72-69 on an Anthony Gay three pointer, Bridgeport went on a 15-6 run to end the game. Freshman point guard James Buzzone had a basket and two more free thros in the 15-6 run. The Purple Knights were also led by freshman Chris Schrade who accounted for the final six points from the line.

Sophomore guard and MVP Vondell Wright led the all-tournament along with Ozier Hastings of UB, Rushel McKune and Mike Nappi led Teikyo Post University as Derric Henry of Mercy and David Best of St. Joseph also made the team.

The Purple Knights next game will be played at home against Albany University on December 7. Also they play at Teikyo Post University on December 12 in Waterbury, CT. a non-conference game.



Profile View

Name: Johan Oberg,
senior, tri-captain

Age: 26

Height: 5'7"

Weight: 160 lb

Position: sweeper

Hometown: Karlstadt,
Sweden



by Nikola Dimitrov

A bashful person with a child's smile—one can never guess he is a soccer player. But on the field, where he wears the number 5 purple shirt, Johan Oberg hasn't got the slightest touch of diffidence. There he is recognized as the person who has led for four years the Purple Knights toward the top of the NEAA—the nation's most competitive Division II conference.

Johan began playing soccer at the age of 5 in his hometown Karlstadt. Seven years later, he was invited to play for the city's youth team "Forshaga." The coach found the blond kid very talented and persuaded him to go for a professional career. So Johan's adolescence was one of hectic practicing and great ambitions.

But soon, Johan, who always had excellent academic achievements in high school, realized that although he loved soccer, education was more important to him. Consequently, he found a way to balance both.

Johan was given an athletic scholarship by the University of Bridgeport where he applied, attracted by the renowned Mass Communication program.

After his first year in Bridgeport, Johan had athletic scholarship offers by four other universities. "I preferred

UB because of academics," he explained his decision not to leave the university.

For one year Johan earned the solid respect on behalf of his teammates and came to be considered as one of the pillars of the team.

For the 26-year-old Swede, Seaside Park has become a battlefield where manhood and strong will are tested. The UB fans have never seen him lose heart in even the most critical situations. He has not only vigilantly defended the Purple Knights' goal but has also often taken the initiative in offense and scored a number of decisive goals. "Johan is a remarkable player," says teammate Magnus Nilerud. "He combines a fine technique with firmness and stamina." Johan often points out that the basic reason he came to the University of Bridgeport was education. He is an excellent example of a successful student-athlete. Johan rarely misses a class and devotes a lot of time to his studies. His persistence has helped him maintain a GPA much higher than that of his teammates.

Now Johan has to say goodbye to the team. This year's MVP plans to pursue a career in advertising. His first of which maybe an advertising company in New York.

Calendar of Events

Dec. 5, Thursday

- SCUBA: Shakespeare with Bob Smith
ABC Mertens Theater, 7p.m.-9p.m.

Dec. 6, Friday

- Winter Prelude, SC, 9p.m.-1a.m.

Dec. 7, Saturday

- Men's Basketball: UB vs. Univ. of Albany
Harvey Hubbell Gymnasium, 4p.m.
- Himalayan Club Festival, SC Social Room, 8-11p.m.

Dec. 9, Monday

- UB Chamber Players, Concert
ABC Littlefield Recital Hall, 7:30p.m.-9:30p.m.

Dec. 11, Wednesday

- Intl. Seminar, SC PDR, 11:30a.m.-2:30p.m.
- Children's Celebration, Waldemere, 4p.m.-6p.m.
- International Business Society
ABC Tower Room, 6p.m.-9p.m.
- UB Concert & Choir
ABC Littlefield Recital Hall, 7:30p.m.-9:30p.m.

Dec. 12, Thursday

- South End Community Meeting
SC PDR, 7:30p.m.-8:30p.m.

Dec. 15, Sunday

- Awards Reception and Holiday Celebration
Waldemere, 4p.m.-6p.m.